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SUBJ: FEBRUARY 1974 DIPLOMATIC CONFERENCE ON LAW OF WAR --

PARITICIPATION OF LIBERATION MOVEMENTS

REF: (A) STATE 11041 (B) STATE 8939

1. SUMMARY: GOG HAS NOT RPT NOT YET TAKEN DECISION RE STATUS
LIBERATION MOVEMENTS AT LAW OF WAR (LOW) CONFERENCE, BUT MFA
OFFICIALS HAVE CLEARLY SIGNALLED THAT OAU POSITION WILL PROBABLY
BE ONE ADOPTED BY GOG. GHANAIAN DELEGATE TO CONFERENCE HAS ASKED
FOR BRIEFING ON USG POSITIONS ON SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES AT CONFERENCE.
END SUMMARY.

3. EMBOFF MADE DEMARCHE (REFTEL B) JANUARY 28 WITH NEWLY APPOINTED
DIRECTOR MFA'S INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND CONFERENCES DIVISION.
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DIRECTOR, L.O. ANTWI, WHO FORMER GHANAIAN CONGEN NEW YORK AND

MEMBER (5TH COMMITTEE) SEVERAL GHANAIA NGA DELGATIONS PRIOR 1971, DODGED BEHIND HIS NEWNESS TO JOB IN DECLINING BE DRAWN INTO DETAILED DISCUSSION SUBJECT. HE NOTED, HOWEVER, THAT MFA WAITING REPORT FROM GHANAIA N AMBASSADOR IN ADDIS PROVIDING MFA WITH OAU POSITION AND SAID GOG WOULD PROBABLY GO ALONG WITH OAU. IN RESPONSE QUESTION, ANTWI SAID SWISS (WHO REPRESENTED ACCRA) HAD NOT RPT NOT MADE DEMARCHE.

3. EMBOFF HAD HAD EARLIER CONVERSATION OVER WEEKEND WITH MICHAEL NAMON, DEPUTY DIRECTOR MFAS LEGAL DIVISION, WHO WILL SERVE ON GHANADEL TO LOW CONFERENCE. NAMON SAID GHANADEL WILL INCLUDE, BESIDES HIMSELF, FORMER SUPREME COURT JUSTICE. V.C.R.A.C. CRABBE, AMILITARY OFFICER AND GHANA'S AMBAADOR TO SWITZERLAND, OSEI-UTU. NAMON EXPRESSED UNDERSTANDING DIFFICULTIES PRESENTED TO U.S. BY STATUS LIBERATION MOVEMENTS BUT ALSO COMMENTED OAK POSITION WOULD PROBABLY BE ONE ADOPTED BY GOG. NAMON ASKED FOR BRIEFING ON USG POSITIONS SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES AT LOW CONFERENCE IN ORDER FOR HIM BRIEF OTHER MEMBERS GHANADEL AND PREPARE POSITION PAPERS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR GOG. (IT WOULD BE APPRECIATED IF DEPARTMENT WOULD CABLE US SUCH INFORMATION AS IS APPROPRIATE WHICH WE COULD PASS ON TO GOG. MFA, WHICH HAS DRAFT PROTOCOLS AND OTHER BASIC DOCUMENTS, IS SEEKING MATERIAL WHICH WILL HELP IT FORMULATE GOG POSTIONS ON SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES.)

4. COMMENT: IT SEEMS ALMOST CERTAIN THAT ULTIMATE GOG POSITION STATUS OF LIBERATION MOVEMENTS WILL REFLECT OAU STANCE.
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